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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims: ✓

Add claims 43 to 57 as follows:

-- 43. An isolated polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, as depicted in Figs. 1A-1B, or degenerate variants thereof;
- (2) the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, or degenerate variants thereof, wherein T is replaced by U;
- (3) the sequence of SEQ ID NO:3, as depicted in Figs. 2A-2C, or degenerate variants thereof; and
- (4) the sequence of SEQ ID NO:3, or degenerate variants thereof, wherein T is replaced by U.

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